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SPAIN.

Report from Barcelona.

BARCELONA, SPAIN, April 10, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to make the usual report and to transmit abstract of bills of health for the week ended April 7, 1900. On April 2, bark *José Roig*, crew, 16; ballast, Barcelona to Brunswick, was inspected.

Respectfully,

JOHN F. ANDERSON,
*Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*The SURGEON-GENERAL,
*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.**Two cases suspected of plague on steamship Montevideo.*

BARCELONA, SPAIN, April 14, 1900.

SIR: I have to confirm telegram of this date informing the Bureau of the arrival at this port of the steamship *Montevideo* with 650 passengers from Manila, and having aboard 2 cases of suspected plague. I endeavored to get some official particulars and to see the cases, but was unable to do either. I inclose a clipping from the most reliable paper giving particulars. The authorities are fully alive to the danger of the situation, and I believe will do all that can be done to prevent infection being brought into the city. There has been no bacteriological examination made, and there is still some doubt of the diagnosis.

Respectfully,

JOHN F. ANDERSON,
*Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

BARCELONA, SPAIN, April 17, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit the abstract of bills of health and to make the usual report for the week ended April 14, 1900. April 11 steamship *Ciudad de Cadiz*, Barcelona to Havana, crew, 103; 19 cabin and 48 steerage passengers were inspected. April 14 bark *Sefi*, Barcelona to Guantanamo, general cargo; crew, 12; was inspected. The steamship *Montevideo* is in quarantine undergoing disinfection; will be kept in quarantine for fifteen full days. The 2 cases of plague aboard are still living.

Respectfully,

JOHN F. ANDERSON,
*Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

[Inclosure.]

Suspicious sickness on Spanish steamship Montevideo, from Manila.[Translated in this Bureau from *El Imparcial*, Barcelona, Spain.]

BARCELONA, SPAIN, April 18, 1900.

The steamer *Montevideo*, from Manila, has arrived at this port. As the vessel flew the yellow flag, indicating suspicious sickness on board, the boat which is used for making visits of sanitary inspection immediately set out for her. The board of health soon after assembled and although the strictest reserve was maintained it was reported that 3 deaths, showing symptoms of bubonic plague, had occurred on board. The deceased were a chaplain, a physician, and a passenger.

The *Montevideo* was sent without loss of time to the lazaretto at Mahon, and all precautions were taken.